

## STATE OF MISSISSIPPI DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND COMMERCE

CINDY HYDE-SMITH COMMISSIONER

## **Press Release**

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## Ag Commissioner Hyde-Smith Announces Website to Find Local Christmas Tree Farms

JACKSON, Miss. — The Mississippi Department of Agriculture and Commerce launched MSChristmasTrees.com to help shoppers find the perfect Mississippi Christmas tree this holiday season. The website provides a guide to the types of Christmas trees grown in the state and the locations of Mississippi Christmas tree farms where locally-grown trees can be purchased.

"Christmas tree farms are significant to the state's thriving agritourism industry. These farms not only offer a variety of trees; they also offer the opportunity to create lasting memories of choosing and cutting the perfect tree for the holiday season," said Commissioner of Agriculture and Commerce Cindy Hyde-Smith. "Each year, thousands of Christmas trees are grown in Mississippi. By buying a Mississippi-grown Christmas tree, you're supporting our farmers and the local economy."

If you have never owned a live Christmas tree or need tips for caring for a live tree, MSChristmasTrees.com details how to select the best Christmas tree for your family, how to safely care for a Christmas tree and how to dispose of your Christmas tree after the holidays.

Visit MSChristmasTrees.com to find the nearest Christmas tree farm. Make this Christmas real — buy a genuine Mississippi Christmas tree.

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